

Thursday, September 1, 1921

# TO MANUFACTURE AXLE IN SAGINAW

\$500,000 ENTERPRISE LAUNCHED  
IN THAT CITY TO MAKE THE  
BRITTON AXLE

The following from Sunday's Saginaw News-Courier will prove of interest to readers of The Record:

The Britton Axle Company, a new half-million dollar concern incorporated under the laws of Delaware, has located in Saginaw and will be under production shortly.

The company will manufacture a new type of motor truck axle, designed by William M. Britton, its inventor, the axle being available for many makes of trucks.

Five thousand shares of preferred stock, at \$100 a share, and 30,000 shares of common stock, no par value, have been issued to finance the corporation.

William M. Britton, designer of the axle, is president of the new concern; W. J. Wickes is vice-president and treasurer, and Frank H. Payne is secretary.

Mr. Britton has had many years' experience in the motor industry. For 12 years he served as engineer of motor transportation in the war department and as a major in the motor transport corps during the war. Mr. Britton was in charge of the designing of the standardized motor truck used by the army in the world-war. After the war Mr. Britton was associated with the Republic Motor Truck Co., at Alma, as assistant to the president and chief engineer. After the Republic company was sold Mr. Britton continued with Frank W. Bridges until last July, when he left to organize the Britton Axle Company.

Four sizes of axles will be made by the company, for one-ton, one and one-half ton, two and one-half ton, and four-ton trucks. Many orders by truck manufacturers for sample axles have been received and these will be sent out shortly.

Mr. Britton, in speaking of the product, said: "The axle is designed to combine the simplicity and rigidity of the worm-drive type with the efficiency and lightness of weight of the internal gear-drive type. The number of parts has been greatly reduced and great attention has been given toward making all parts easily interchangeable and accessible for immediate repair. Service brakes are furnished with the axle and are placed on the provider shaft instead of the internal expanding brake which has been especially designed with a view toward strength and simplicity."

The axles will be machined in the Walker Bros. shops and any parts made outside of Saginaw will be assembled here and sent to the various truck manufacturers.

## King Appointed County Chairman

Francis King of this city has received notice of his appointment as chairman for Gratiot county by the governors of The World's Board of Aeronautical Commissioners, Inc., which is now composed of 28 commissioners, representing 31 countries and colonies. The board is organized to advance aeronautics and to encourage the use of aircraft throughout the world.

**SAGINAW RACES**

With the largest field of drivers entered and competing for the largest amount of money that has ever been offered drivers in this state, the championship auto races to be held on the Saginaw fair grounds Friday afternoon loom up as the stellar sporting event for that day in the state. So far 24 drivers have entered, including Bob Wilcox, the state champion, Dideck, the crazy driver from Standish, Huclmer and Long, the speed merchants of Saginaw, and others from Detroit, Grand Rapids, Lansing and other cities. The big feature and an unusual event of its kind will be the 25-mile race for the fastest cars in Michigan. The drivers who are eligible to this event will be selected from time trials and stability of their cars. Pits will be established and drivers because of the fifty times around the track will be allowed to stop and start and will take on gas and oil and water, change tires and will have mechanics ready to grab their cars and nurse them when they show signs of breaking down on the long run. It is possible that some of the drivers will have relief pilots. The races start at 2:30 o'clock and the purses reach \$3,000 in value.

## SETHTON

Bernice Jason has been very ill the past week.

Myra Kershner of the Culy district spent from Friday until Sunday with Iris Gardner.

Wm. Nokert and family have returned from their auto trip to Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jarvis, H. A. Gardner and Mrs. Minola Locke spent Thursday with friends near Perrinton.

Charles Holiday has been real sick the past week.

Scott Payne and son Merle called on Mrs. Albert Payne Sunday morning.

The Sunshine Band had a picnic Friday afternoon while the Stars accompanied by their teacher, Ruby Jason, spent the day at Crystal.

Miss Ruth McNabb, a Junior in the Alma high school, has been annoyed with a chronic appendix for the past three years. Miss Ruth betook herself to the Carney hospital on August 26 and had the offending member removed. The plucky little lady will be on hand to attend school next week when school opens.

Elmer Holtan of Breckenridge was taken to the Carney Private Hospital August 21st. An immediate operation was performed. An appendix abscess had formed in the center of which was found a stone about the size and shape of a peach pit. Mr. Holtan will be on the road to recovery and expects to be able to go home within a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. C. Huber of Alma were Alma visitors Sunday. Mrs. A. W. Davis left Monday for a visit with relatives in New Naples, "Fatty" Ashburne, etc., and Tuesday and Wednesday, an exchange Strand Theater open every night beginning next week—and a matinee C. H. Kingsbury visited youth relatives in Pontiac the first part of the week.

Fay Gossert of Saginaw spent the week end in this city visiting with relatives.

Webb McCall of Mt. Pleasant was an Alma visitor for a short time on Thursday.

W. D. Clark of Chicago is visiting here for a short time with his father and other relatives.

Regular meeting of Alma Chapter No. 44, O. E. C. Knights, organized at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Nick Bardaville of the European Cafe has returned from a several days business trip in Chicago.

Dr. E. G. Shuyler, orthopaedic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phone 57-54.

Harry Johnson of the Look Peterson drug store, was in Detroit the latter part of last week business.

Ely Phillips of Lowell, former Alma College student and athlete, was an Alma visitor last Friday.

E. C. Crandall of the Crandall & Scott Furniture store, was in Grand Rapids on business the first of the week.

Mrs. Sylvania Gaffney is spending a few days at Hamilton Lake with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Capie and friends.

Arthur Denley of Detroit, a former resident of this city, visited with old Alma friends here the latter part of last week.

A. J. Archer was in Saginaw Monday attending the baseball game between the Detroit Tigers and Saginaw Aces.

Mrs. Burton Hopkins returned to her home in Alma Monday, after visiting with her brother in Big Rapids for a few days.

Miss Alberta Hyde returned to her home in Alma the first of the week after visiting for several days with relatives in Leland.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Babcock are spending the week at Harbor Springs, resorting and visiting with old friends at their former homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce J. Rivers of Detroit were well and going to the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Rivers, of Grand Haven.

Miss Clara Duncan, who has been spending some weeks in Washington and other western states, has returned to her home in this city.

The W. E. C. Thielman club will meet next Tuesday evening at 8:30 p.m. with Mrs. Sonora Rice as All men are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. O. A. Kates is very busy after her speedy recovery from a serious operation at the Curtis Hospital last Friday. She is up and able to walk again.

Mr. and Mrs. Kettell and Mr. and Mrs. William Beeler left the latter part of last week for an automobile trip to several New York cities. They will be gone for ten days or two weeks.

The Seville and Summer Farmers Club will meet at the home of L. A. Potter September 5. An afternoon session with potluck supper will be held. Club will meet promptly at two o'clock.

Mr. E. M. Wolfe and wife, Kenneth, Mrs. V. W. Woodard, Miss Eva Day and Mrs. Ida Rich spent a few days at Homestead Inn resorting. They returned to Alma Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Clara Sears of Chicago, who was here for the funeral of Von Hirschberger, and who visited for some days at the home of Mrs. Harry Edwards, has returned to her home in Chicago.

Doctors E. T. Lamb, F. J. Graham, Charles F. Babcock, Maynard Pringle and A. W. Brown, George P. Ryan, and Hollock King were among those who attended the Saginaw Auto-Industry Club meeting in Saginaw Monday.

Couch Roy Campbell, new Alma college athletic director, is expected to arrive in Alma today or Friday with his family. He has leased the Mrs. J. A. Bettler residence on West Superior street for the coming year.

The annual picnic of the children of St. Mary's Catholic church of this city was held at Bass lake, and was attended by about thirty-five youngsters who enjoyed themselves at the outing. The "ole swimmin' hole" proved especially attractive to the youngsters.

A recent issue of the Postal Bulletin calls attention to the fact that the special delivery stamp is for the purpose of expediting mail service and not to safe guard mail as many people seem to think. It also calls attention to the fact that all valuable mail should be registered or insured.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Benedict entered at five hundred Tuesday evening in honor of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Smith, who are leaving for California, after which lunch was served. Mr. Glen Campbell and Miss Virginia Hawkins carried away the honors. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cline of Pennsylvania.

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Picnic Hams lb	—17c
Sal Pork lb	—13c
Home rendered lard, lb	—15c
Bacon, home cured, in the chunk, lb	—25c
Salmon, tall cans, 2 for	—25c
Cheese, full cream, lb	—28c
Milk, tall can,	—10c
Bread flour, good quality, sack	—\$1.10
Pork steaks, lb	—8.15
Rice 3 lbs. for	—22c
Salt Pork lb	—13c
Raisins, lb. pkg.	—25c
Prunes, medium size, 2 lbs	—25c
Fruit Preserves, 14 oz. jar	—15c
Pure Cider Vinegar gal.	—30c
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